

THE PRESIDENT'S INTELLIGENCE CHECKLIST

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1. Cyprus

a. The Turks remain ready to carry out their threat to intervene.

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d. The Canadian House of Commons last night authorized an 1150-man contingent for the UN force.

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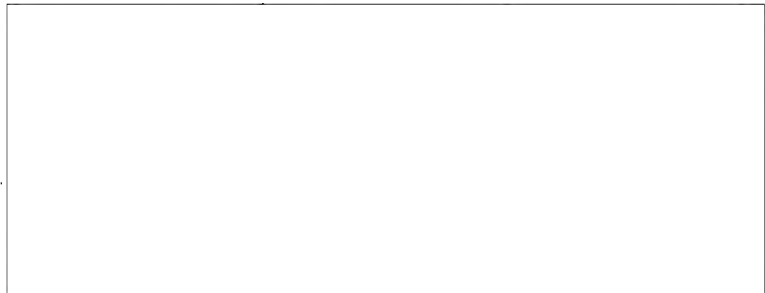
e. Sweden had already agreed to contribute when another neutral did so too. Ireland has now agreed to contribute a battalion and Finland is expected to do so today. Arrival of, at least, the Scandinavian troops may be several weeks off, however. The new UN commander in Cyprus, Gen. Chavez, has arrived from Gaza to replace Gen. Gyani

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f. Cyprus remains tense, but fighting has virtually ceased. Makarios rejected the Turkish note of warning, but he and his minions, even so, are apparently trying to avoid any action which would give Turkey a pretext to carry out its threat.



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2. Libya

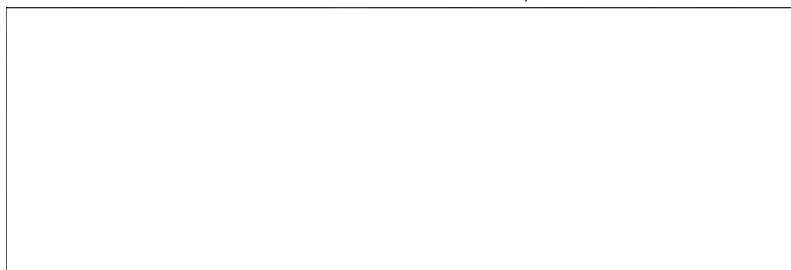
a. King Idris and Prime Minister Muntassir have told the British and ourselves they must have an agreement to renegotiate the question of the bases.

b. Pressure being generated by Nasir for immediate removal of the bases is becoming too much for them, they say, and unless we enter into new negotiations, they are convinced they cannot stem the tide.

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d. Muntassir has indicated his feeling that the bases should be cleared within three years.

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e. Apparently he hopes to retain the British treaty guaranteeing protection of Libya and seems willing to allow the British limited use of the airfield near Tobruq after most of their forces have left.



3. Somalia-Ethiopia

a. Ethiopian forces in the troublesome Ogaden area bordering on Somalia have [redacted] to establish [redacted] a ten-mile wide prohibited zone along the entire Somali border.

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c. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] impossible to enforce along the entire 900-mile border, they could easily mean new and more severe trouble. [REDACTED]

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d. Somali nomads have crossed the border to their traditional grazing areas for centuries, and the Anglo-Ethiopian treaty of 1897 guarantees their right to do so. Before the recent OAU conference, Ethiopian officials had considered establishing a ten-mile "no-man's-land" with corridors allowing for this traditional entry.

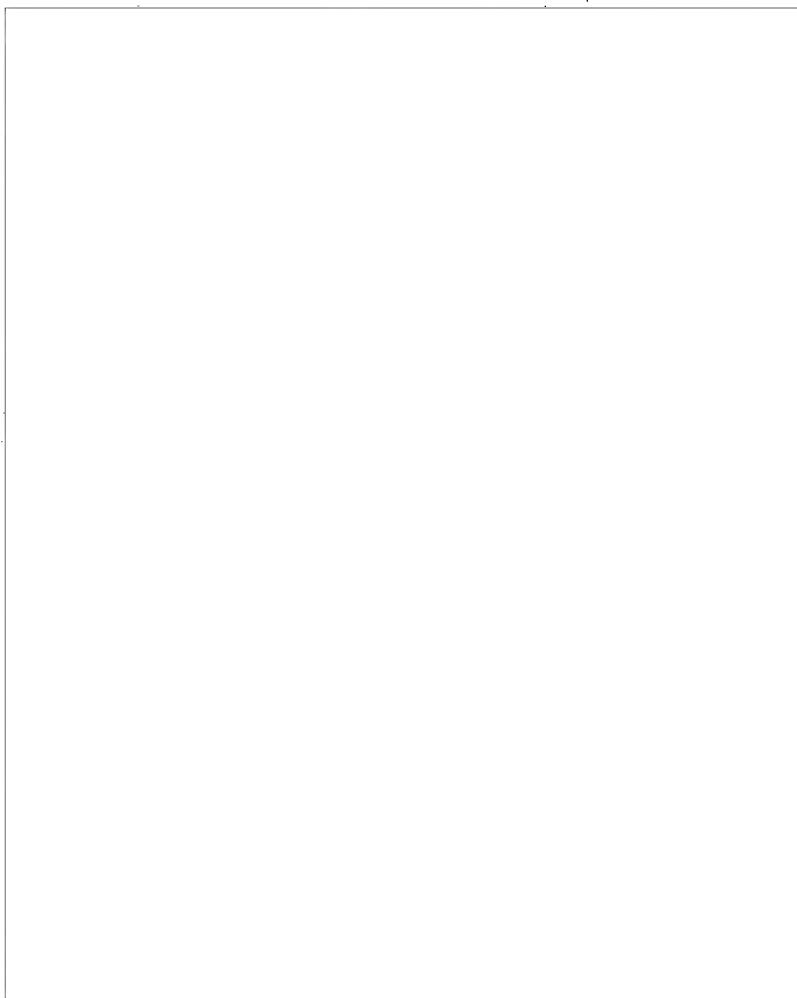
e. At the conference, however, Ethiopia reportedly demanded that there be no crossings during the operations of a proposed border commission. When Somalia rejected this, the conference merely appealed for maintenance of the cease-fire and for bilateral negotiations.

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4. **Sino-Soviet
Dispute**

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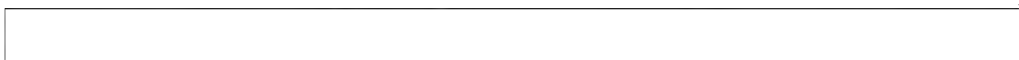
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- B. South Vietnam - Cambodia Sihanouk's plan to send a delegation to Hanoi to discuss problems which relate to Cambodia's border with South Vietnam may bring a sharp deterioration in relations with South Vietnam. South Vietnam in return could interfere with Cambodian shipping on the Mekong and may adopt a policy of "hot pursuit" involving military penetration into Cambodian territory. Hostilities would, in this event, be difficult to prevent.
- C. Uruguay Uruguayan President Giannattasio does not like the cumbersome nine-man collegial executive system. He feels it "must go," and [] he is trying to line up military support for a coup, presumably before his term expires a year from now.
- D. Surinam - British Guiana The self-governing Dutch territory of Surinam has heretofore been relatively quiet, but with help from Cheddi Jagan next door, leftist agitation is on the increase. The familiar issues of independence and Creole vs East Indian are ready-made in Surinam, and Jagan seems intent on making the same mess of things there he is making at home.

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